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5. The pier under the coal conveyer extends about 300 meters into the sea. It is about twenty feet high during normal times (sic; at mean tide?). The thick concrete piles are spaced about thirty feet apart with thick wooden planks laid across them. The pier is believed to have been constructed during the Japanese administration of the area. Another pier is under construction about 100 meters to the north. There are scaffolds around it.
6. A square concrete breakwater, with an entrance at the south end, is located about one and one-half km south of the pier. [redacted] only launches can take refuge within the breakwater in rough weather. Other vessels cannot be accommodated. The port office is believed to be located there (sic).
7. No Soviet patrol boats were encountered between Otaru and Telnovsk. Two 2,000 - 3,000-ton cargo vessels were in Telnovsk. The CHEKHOV was taking on a load of timber. There were three launches in the harbor. [redacted]

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8. A dilapidated 14-passenger bus of Soviet origin carrying about 35 persons was observed heading toward Uglegorsk. [redacted] It was said that it takes from one and one-half to two hours to go by bus to Uglegorsk and that buses leave at two-hour intervals. Nineteen trucks were observed, two of which were imitation US GMC ten-wheeled trucks which appeared to be in good condition. The rest were dilapidated Soviet box-type trucks, smaller than the conventional Japanese trucks, which have a loading capacity of two tons. The trucks were hauling sand, gravel, and timber. Four imitation quarter-ton, winterized (sheet metal tops) jeeps were observed. No sedans were seen. Two Soviet fire trucks of ancient vintage were parked in front of the fire station.

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9. Families residing in Sakhalin have been allotted by State decree a plot of land measuring about 1,080 square feet to be utilized as they see fit. Most of the plots were planted with vegetables, part of which are consumed by the grower and the rest taken to the bazaar and sold. A few of the lots are used as children's playgrounds. Hogs, chickens, and ducks were being raised in large numbers. One family had two cows.
10. In Telnovsk, hogs and cattle are slaughtered only during the cold weather, because there is no adequate refrigeration. Only salted meat and pork are available during the warm season. No meat markets were seen in the village, although a chunk of meat weighing about seven lbs was observed on a wooden slab in the bazaar. Fresh fruits are not available. Canned fruits were observed in some of the stores. It was said that two years ago a shipment of fresh apples arrived in Sakhalin from North Korea. [redacted]

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[redacted] There were only a few toys in the toy shop and prices were exorbitant. A six-inch teddy bear was priced at 300 rubles. Many children were observed pulling empty tin cans tied to the end of a string. The majority of the children were barefoot. Cigarettes cost from two to four rubles per pack. One kilo of bread cost 1 ruble, 20 kopeks. A kilo of butter cost 26 rubles. Villagers touched and marveled at foreign clothes. Suiting material was available at the bazaar and there were about four shades from which to choose. A few houses had curtains over their windows. [redacted]

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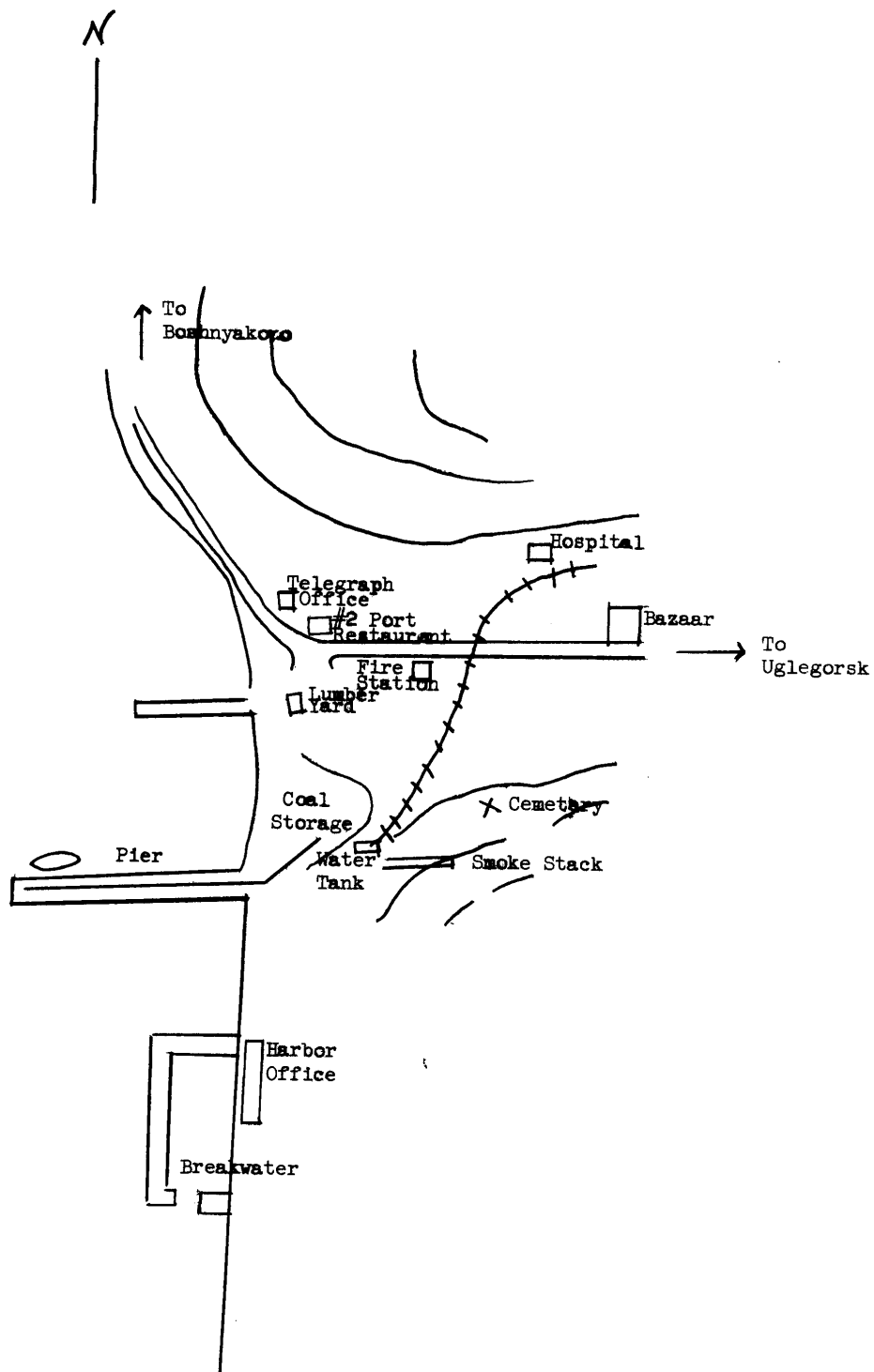
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Sketch of Telnovsk:



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11. The following items were available in the No. 2 Port Restaurant:

five kinds of soup (including beef soup)
mincemeat cutlet
meat prepared in about ten different ways
hot cakes with jam
frozen pudding (kisel)
salted salmon and herring
butter
cheese

12. The border guard personnel were clad in khaki trousers and khaki high-collar, pullover shirts with two metal buttons at the neck and three on the front. They had green shoulder boards, and they wore knee-high black boots. The officers were all armed with pistols. Some enlisted men were armed with pistols and some with rifles.

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